

Home Visiting Program

Northern Mariana Islands

Healthy Outcomes for Maternal and Early Childhood (H.O.M.E.), Northern Mariana Islands' Home Visiting Program, is funded in part through federal investments from the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program), and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to at-risk pregnant women and parents with young children.

The Home Visiting Program, which builds upon decades of scientific research, provides voluntary, culturally-appropriate, individually-tailored supports to families in their homes, including providing information about children's health, development, and safety, and when appropriate, referrals to support services.

Through federal grants from the Home Visiting Program, in fiscal year 2014, home visitors in Northern Mariana Islands:

- Made 693 home visits to 197 parents and children in 77 families
- Enrolled 155 new parents and children to the program
- Served families living in communities in 1 county across the state, or 25% of Northern Mariana Islands counties

The Home Visiting Program in Northern Mariana Islands:

- Has conducted parent satisfaction survey to assess the quality of home visiting services
- Collaborates with health care providers and social support programs to increase access to home visiting services and improve coordination of services between providers

Like all Home Visiting Program grantees, Northern Mariana Islands uses evidence-based home visiting models that are proven to improve child health and to be cost effective. Northern Mariana Islands leverages federal funds to implement the following models to serve children and families across the state:

- [Healthy Families America](#)

Counties with home visiting services funded by federal grants from the Home Visiting Program (as of February 2015)*:



More about Northern Mariana Islands:

[Healthy Outcomes for Maternal and Early Childhood \(H.O.M.E.\)](#)

[Maternal & Child Health Measures and Grants in Northern Mariana Islands](#)

The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program is administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in close partnership with the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). The Program supports at-risk pregnant women and families, and helps parents of children from birth to kindergarten entry tap the resources and hone the skills they need to raise children who are physically, socially, and emotionally healthy and ready to learn.

Research shows that home visits by a nurse, social worker, early childhood educator, or other trained professional during pregnancy and in the first years of life improve maternal and child health, prevent child abuse and neglect, increase positive parenting, and enhance child development and school readiness.